

PER DIEM CLERKS FEAR MAY'S STING

Land Office Force Worrying About the Extra Clerk.

How Much Will They Be "Docked" in Month of May?

The upheaval among the per diem workers at the Land Office, on account of the fact that an appropriation which provides for only thirty workers at \$2.00 per day, has been stretched to cover thirty-one workers, necessitates a monthly "docking" as published exclusively in The Times recently, has caused various conjectures as to what will be the state of affairs at the end of May.

The extra clerk who was put on April 1, and is regarded as the casus belli, is still on the rolls, and when questioned this morning those in authority imparted the information that the roll would remain just as it now is, for the present at least. The appropriation which provides for only thirty workers for twenty-six working days, or \$1,560 per month, will be especially inadequate for May, as this amount must be divided among thirty-one clerks, and for twenty-seven working days. On account of the alleged "padding" of the rolls, each of the clerks was docked \$1.00 and forced to lose a half day's time in order to even up matters for April, a short month.

Resignation Threatened.

Those who are acquainted with some of the "per diems," as they are called, inferred from the strenuous kick made by some that at least part of the force might resign if the "docking" was to continue from month to month.

Asked about this contingency today, one of the officials at the Land Office disclaimed any knowledge of any objection on the part of the per diem workers to the way in which they were being paid, but said if such dissatisfaction existed and there were those who desired to leave the roll, the department could not, of course, prevent them. It was said that the amount of "docking" necessary at the end of the month would depend, of course, upon the amount of time used by absentees on sick leave during the month. Every day lost by a per diem reduces the benefit May brings. If the full force works the entire month, the appropriation will be insufficient.

Hard-Working Women.

This is the way matters now stand, and it is a new state of affairs with the per diem force, inasmuch as never before, it is claimed, have all the "per diems" been forced to pay tribute in this manner to an extra clerk, said to be a "relative" to one of those in authority.

"On its face the matter may seem unimportant," said a man today who is acquainted with a number of the per diem workers, "but having an acquaintance with many of these women, I may say that the matter is somewhat serious from their standpoint. Every dollar means something to them. Practically the entire force is made up of women, widows who are supporting children, or daughters who are supporting parents. At best they can draw only \$2 per month. They have no funerals, no sick leave, no holidays. Every minute lost comes out of their pockets."

"Can't Get Classified."

"I know one widow on this roll who has a household of children, none more than twelve years of age. Another daughter is supporting an invalid mother. Another widow is endeavoring to clothe and educate a twelve-year-old son, lives in a flat, and does her own work. In fact, there are numbers of cases similar to these, for nearly all of the per diem workers are working from necessity, and not from choice. It is unfortunate that their repeated efforts to get on the classified lists have been unsuccessful, just why I do not know, but at any rate they remain unclassified, and many of them work side by side with classified clerks who get \$1.20 and more if they have no sick leave, while the per diems do the same work for \$2 per, and no trimmings. "I am not surprised that some of them feel badly when 'docked,' and I expect a still more vigorous kick when the May rolls are made up, if it is reported to again."

ROCK CREEK PARK BOARD PRAISES COLONEL BIDDLE

The Rock Creek Park board of control has taken action upon the departure of Colonel Biddle. Commissioner Macfarland, as chairman, presided, and the other members present were Brig. Gen. Alexander Mackenzie, chief of engineers, U. S. A.; Commissioner West and Commissioner Morrow.

A minute expressing the appreciation of the board of the services rendered by Colonel Biddle as its secretary and executive officer in the care of Rock Creek Park, to which he gave so much attention, was adopted.

Commissioner Morrow was elected secretary and executive officer of the board.

WRECK ON C. B. & Q. DUE TO BROKEN RAIL

CHICAGO, May 10.—A broken rail, due to defective steel, is said by officials of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy railroad to have wrecked the Downer's Grove suburban train on that road in Lawndale, when Mrs. Mary Miller, of 4227 Grand Boulevard, was killed, thirty-one persons were injured, five of them seriously, and the lives of 150 passengers were jeopardized.

DENIES APPLICATION FOR A RECEIVERSHIP

Justice Gould has denied the application for a receivership filed by Edward M. Moxley et al. against the People's Mutual Benefit Insurance Company. The decree decides that \$700, with interest, is due the People's Mutual Benefit Association by the People's Mutual Benefit Insurance Company. Attorney W. Gwynn Gardner represented the complainants, and Wilton J. Lambert and Victor Wallace the defendant company.

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HARRIES SEES LOEB; DIDN'T FLIP CENTS

Gen. George H. Harries, vice president of the Washington Railway and Electric Company, today made his second visit in the last twenty-four hours to the White House to see Secretary Loeb, General Harries, while only vice president, has been for years the controlling spirit of the railway. Secretary Loeb has been slated for the presidency of the company when the reorganization takes place. General Harries has ambitions along this same line.

"No, we didn't flip pennies for the job," said the general when he left the White House, "nor did I get any orders from any superior officer," he concluded in answer to a leading question.

Just what he did talk about to the Secretary, General Harries would not say.

Late yesterday afternoon General Harries saw Mr. Loeb for a few minutes. After sleeping over what was said, they talked it over again.

MORE CIGARMAKERS JOINING STRIKERS

HAVANA, May 10.—The strike situation among the cigarmakers, who are staying out for the enforcement of their demands for payment of their wages in American money instead of Spanish gold, is becoming critical.

There are now 17,000 men out, and the number is growing daily. No settlement is in sight, and it is feared the strikers may resort to violence. Contributions for the support of the strikers are being sent here from the United States, Canada, and Mexico.

RUMORS OF A CLASH OF MAGOON WITH BARRY

HAVANA, Cuba, May 10.—All army officers attached to the command of General Barry, military commander in Cuba, who have been engaged on special insular duty, have been ordered to report in Havana. It is said the order is the result of a clash in authority between General Barry and Governor Magoon, the civil governor of Cuba.

CONVICTION OF CRAWFORD AFFIRMED BY THE COURT

The Court of Appeals today affirmed the judgment of the lower court in the case of the United States against W. G. Crawford, who was convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States in the purchase and sale of letter carriers' supplies to the Postoffice Department. Chief Justice Shepard dissented. Crawford is under sentence to serve two years in the Moundville penitentiary.

SELECTING JURY FOR HARGIS TRIAL

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 10.—Three hundred men, composing a special venire summoned from Scott county, from which a jury will be selected to try Judge James Hargis, of Breathitt county, for the assassination of James Cockrill, reported to the circuit court this morning, and the work of selecting a jury began.

It is believed that most of the men will disqualify and will be dismissed. John Abner, who was reported to have made a sensational confession just before the Britton trial, but who denied it on the stand here, will be one of the chief witnesses for Judge Hargis. Abner is charged jointly with Hargis in the murder of Dr. B. D. Cox and James Cockrill.

CONFESS VIOLATION OF ANTI-TRUST LAW

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 10.—Most of the business men indicted here April 30 for violation of the Valentine anti-trust law were arraigned today before Judge Morris, and pleaded guilty. Nine brick men pleaded guilty to section 10, which does not carry a workhouse sentence. The penalty is \$500 to \$1,000 fine. Sentences will be imposed later.

Twenty-four lumber men pleaded guilty to the whole indictment, and are liable to a jail sentence. The plumbers, when arraigned later, will not plead guilty, but will fight.

M'GOWAN BUILDING SOLD FOR \$26,000

The Washington Loan and Trust Company has recently sold, through Stone & Fairfax, the McGowan building, at 629 F street northwest, to the Washington Six Per Cent Building Association, which has recently moved into the building under a lease. The property has a frontage of 26 feet 7 inches on F street, by a depth of 120 feet to an alley. The consideration in this transaction was \$26,000.

The Washington Six Per Cent Building Association is one of the oldest concerns of that nature in the District of Columbia, it having for many years occupied offices in the Second National Bank building on Seventh street, which it recently vacated to make room for the increased business of the Second National Bank.

The new location of the Union Station is expected to increase the demand for property around Seventh and F streets, and Stone & Fairfax have recently sold several buildings in the square above mentioned as well as the one to the building association.

SEISMIC SHOCKS IN SIBERIAN CITY

LONDON, May 10.—Dispatches from Irkutsk, Siberia, say that the city was today severely shaken by a series of earthquakes. No details of deaths or extent of property destruction were given.

HOLD PUBLIC FUNERAL FOR "IAN MACLAREN"

LIVERPOOL, May 10.—Dr. John Watson, better known as "Ian MacLaren," who died at Mt. Pleasant, Iowa, this week, is to be given a public funeral here.

Four Costly Mistakes Were Made by Jeremiah

Told the Court a Mistake Had Been Made and, Judge O'Neal Agreeing With Him, He Was Fined Twenty Dollars.

"Boss, sub, I've d' victim uv a mistake. Ah done been brought here by dish yere crowd, and dey don't know whether I've d' man or not. Dish yere's a mistake, an' I've a innocent gem'man, a innocent gem'man."

This was a small part of a long, tedious, argumentative discourse offered by Jeremiah Whittington Erasmus J. Hopkins when he was brought before Judge O'Neal, in the Police Court, and charged with having stolen sufficient clothing to start a respectable second-hand store from Samuel Green and George Gilleau.

Jeremiah Whittington Erasmus J. is an intellectual looking personage of dark complexion, who, for the furtherance of his wise appearance, wears spectacles perched high upon his lofty brow.

Green, who testified first, admitted blushing that he was true to his name.

"Dat man, he done buncoed me, y'onner," he said, pathetically. "Ah done let him look at mah cios, and he says he wants tuh borrow 'em, and next thing Ah knows Ah ain't got no cios at all."

And he looked at the court for sympathy. Gilleau simply stated that Jeremiah (or whatever they call him) had walked off with his (the plaintiff's) garments, adding that the said garments were of such nature that he would prefer not to mention them in court.

With this evidence against him, Jeremiah took the stand. After a devious explanation, during the course of which he told the court this was needed for a living; that he was born in this city, was a married man with three children, and other facts equally irrelevant to the case at hand, he condescended to discuss the alleged misdemeanor.

"Ah is innocent. Dish yere is a mistake," he said, in addition to other things.

"Well," said the court, gravely, "I suppose this whole thing is a mistake. In the first place, you made a mistake in taking the clothes, and your friends made a mistake in showing you their location. Next you made a mistake in thinking you could get away with them, and finally your colossal mistake was in thinking that I would accept your mistake theory. Ten dollars in each case."

And everybody in court save Jeremiah Whittington Erasmus J. Hopkins proceeded therewith to grin.

BOOKBINDERS' UNION ASKS FEDERAL JOBS

James L. Feeney, president of the Washington Bookbinders' Union, accompanied President Robert Gockling, General Secretary James W. Dougherty, and Henry Metzger, member of the executive board of the International Bookbinders' Union of America, to several of the departments in an effort to prevent the letting of contracts to book companies in New York and other cities who employ foreigners and children.

The committee seeks to have the heads of the several departments rule that all this blankbook work shall be done at the Government Printing Office, where union labor is employed. The work in question is for the postal service, which, under a ruling, is not considered work of the Postoffice Department. With this exception all the blankbook work of the Government is done at the Government Printing Office.

Purchasing Agent Corcoran received the committee, but owing to his absence from the city, Public Printer Stillings could not be seen. They also called on President Samuel Gompers, of the American Federation of Labor.

TAX SYSTEM DISLIKED BY PROPERTY OWNERS

Owners of suburban property complain that by the new system of numbering their property on the tax tickets for current taxes they fail to recognize their holdings. Heretofore all suburban property had been designated as sections with a number. Recently all suburban property was given a new designation and instead of marking the tax tickets as section 30 and 30, the property has been designated as a lot number in such and such a block.

This system, however, has nothing to do with property in the city limits proper, applying only to suburban property heretofore called sections. Lot numbers in the city as shown on the official plans of the city remain just as they have been in the past.

DESTROY TOBACCO WORTH \$30,000

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 10.—A gang of unknown men last night burned the warehouse of W. A. Shirley, buyer for the American Tobacco Company, at Sanders, Carroll county, destroying 200,000 pounds of tobacco, worth \$30,000. Shirley refused to be a victim of the war between the so-called trust and the independent tobacco organizations. Shirley, who is a member of the Kentucky State Police, and Captain Mulliken, of the detective force, will go to the scene with two

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DETECTIVES CATCH HOTEL THIEVES

Henry Atwood, alias William H. Davis, who was arrested in a smoking car of a Pennsylvania railroad passenger train at the Sixth street station in company with Frank A. Davis, after the police had obtained evidence which led them to believe they were responsible for a number of thefts at the Riggs House recently, has a long police record. Atwood's picture was found in the National Bureau of Criminal Identification, which has its headquarters in this city.

Wednesday night several thefts occurred at the Riggs House. Suit cases and traveling bags containing money, jewelry, and clothing were stolen from a number of the guests.

Detective Mullen, who is detailed at the Pennsylvania station, went over all the baggage there, and yesterday afternoon located several of the stolen bags in the check room. Hartigan and Baur went to the station, and just before the 8 o'clock train for New York pulled out of the shed a porter came in and claimed the articles.

The detectives followed the porter on board train, and when the bags were turned over to Atwood and Davis they were immediately placed under arrest and taken to police headquarters. Although they deny the charges, they admit stopping at the Riggs House. The police say the evidence against them is such as to leave no loophole for escape.

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